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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 11/06/2001.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-33.
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 06 November 2001 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
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5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
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7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

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1. ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☒ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date 11/06/2001
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
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7. ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____


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DETAILED ACTION

REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

1. Claims 1-33 are allowed over the prior art of record.
2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Schollhorn (U.S. Patent No.: 6,424,683) teaches a receiver adapted for use in a communication system (see figure 1, col.4, ln.1-5), wherein the communication system includes at least one transmitter and at least one receiver, and wherein data is received by the receiver in a received signal having a received frequency within a received frequency band, and wherein the received signal comprises a wanted signal having a first wanted frequency within a first wanted frequency band and an interference signal having an interference frequency within the received frequency band (see figure 3A, first wanted frequency f_1 , col.4, ln.59-67).

Williams (U.S. Patent No.: 5,557,642) teaches direct conversion receiver comprising the first wanted frequency band is between a lower wanted frequency and an upper wanted frequency, and wherein the wanted signal is centered about a first wanted frequency band center frequency (see figure 5, first wanted frequency W_c , lower wanted frequency $W_c - (1/2)W_{bw}$, upper wanted frequency $W_c + (1/2)W_{bw}$, col.4, ln.9-25).

Suominen (U.S. Patent No.: teaches a tuner adapted to receive the received signal, wherein the tuner outputs a first intermediate frequency signal (IF), and wherein

the IF has a first intermediate frequency signal band (SB) and is centered about a first intermediate center frequency (IF1).

McNicol (U.S. Patent No. 6,363,262) discloses a wideband receiver circuit for receiving a plurality of carriers having relatively high frequencies. The receiver circuit comprises a frequency converter for down-convert the high frequency to low frequency.

Oberhammmer (U.S. Patent No. 6,157,682) discloses a wideband receiver circuit with bandwidth extension A and B cellular spectrum using analog conversion for sampling frequency of an analog to digital converter.

However, the prior art made of record fails to teach or suggest, the arrangement of the receiver adapted for use in a communication comprises an analog-to-digital converter (ADC), coupled and responsive to the tuner, wherein the ADC samples and downconverts the IF and outputs a downconverted signal, and wherein the ADC has a sampling rate (SR) that is less than twice the upper wanted frequency, and wherein the sampling rate is selected so that a degree of aliasing of the interference signal into the first wanted frequency band after downconversion is maintained below a predetermined threshold, in combination with other limitations, as specified in the independent claims 1, 24-25, and 28, and further limitations of their respective dependent claims 2-23, 26-27, and 29-33.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to **Tuan A. Pham** whose telephone number is (703) 305-4987 and E-mail address is: **tuan.pham@USPTO.GOV**.

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